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RYBAT CATUSK

1. GENERAL WESSEL WILL REPORT FOR DETACHED SERVICE FOR PURPOSES OF READING IN, RECEIVING BRIEFINGS, AND ACTING AS ALTER EGO WITH DESK NEXT TO UTILITY, ON 1 APRIL. WESSEL, ALONG WITH OTHERS, AND AT SUGGESTION OF UTILITY, WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND OFFICIAL FAREWELL BANQUET HOSTED BY ☐ 2 ☐ AT ☐ 3 RESIDENCE ON 17 APRIL. WESSEL WILL TAKE OVER AS PRESIDENT OF CATUSK ON 1 MAY. HOPEFULLY THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY, WHICH AS PLANNED WILL TAKE PLACE IN MUNICH, WILL BE HELD ON 1 MAY, BUT COULD BE DELAYED UNTIL 2 OR 3 MAY DEPENDENT UPON AVAILABILITY OF CHANCELLOR. WESSEL NOT EXPECTED TO BRING ANY AIDES OR ADVISORS WITH HIM, EXCEPT FOR HIS SECRETARY FROM NATO. HE WILL PROBABLY BE BILLETED AT A VILLA IN SOELN, ALTHOUGH THIS NOT FIRM AS YET.

2. ON DATE HE IS SWORN IN, WESSEL WILL SIMULTANEOUSLY GO INTO THE MILITARY RESERVE, AND MOST LIKELY RECEIVE ANOTHER STAR TO MAKE HIM A RESERVE LIEUTENANT GENERAL WHILE SERVING AS CIVILIAN PRESIDENT OF CATUSK. ALIAS

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WENDT REQUESTS PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING ON WOFIRM AND MILITARY SIDE, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO BRIEFINGS, ETC. SINCE THERE IS PLENTY OF TIME TO ALLOW A GENILE IMMERSION FOR NEW CHIEF. IN VIEW OF HIS PAST EXPERIENCE AND RESIDENCE IN WASHINGTON AND HIS WIDE ACQUAINTANCESHIPS AMONG WOFIRM AND OTHER <sup>5</sup>LNHARP MILITARY SERVICES AND AGENCIES, HIS FIRST TRIP TO WASHINGTON IN HIS NEW CAPACITY SHOULD PREFERABLY BE PLANNED FOR EARLY FALL 1968, PROVIDING THE TURN OF WORLD EVENTS DOES NOT DICTATE OTHERWISE.

3. UTILITY HAS BEEN SPENDING THE MONTHS OF FEBRUARY AND MARCH MAKING FAREWELL VISITS TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE IRON CURTAIN IN EUROPE AND AROUND THE MEDITERRANEAN. <sup>1</sup>UTILITY HAS REQUESTED THAT WE DEFER DISCUSSING SCHEDULES AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS MOST IMPORTANT FAREWELL VISIT TO WASHINGTON UNTIL AFTER SWEARING IN OF WESSEL IN EARLY MAY.

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